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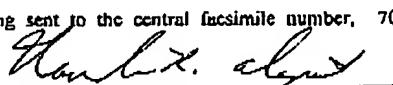
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In Response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for allowance, in the Notice of Allowability (Form PTOL-37) accompanying the Notice of Allowance mailed May 3, 2005, Applicants offer the comments below.

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